

House Resolution No. 4568

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge a momentous occasion in the life of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

Whereas, Lewis Calvert, a treasured resident of St. Louis, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of his Eighty-eighth Birthday on November 27, 2008; and

Whereas, Lewis Calvert came into this world in West Point, Mississippi, on November 27, 1920, as the youngest of eleven children born to his proud and loving parents; and

Whereas, introduced to music at the tender age of eight while accompanying his sister to music classes, Lewis began taking music lessons from music instructor Mr. John H. Perry, who was his cousin, and by age ten he was leading the church choir; and

Whereas, Lewis Calvert relocated to St. Louis in 1936, following which he continued taking music under the direction of Mr. C.L. Wilson at Vashon High School; and

Whereas, Lewis Calvert served as the music instructor for many gospel groups including “The Spirit of Paradise”, “The Silver Tones”, The Starlight Christians”, and “The Watson Singers”, while his arrangement of “Working the Road” was copyrighted and many of his arrangements were performed and recorded by “The Harmony Kings”; and

Whereas, a member of Christ Mission Baptist Church since 1948, Lewis Calvert retired from the Defense Mapping Agency with thirty-two years of federal service:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Lewis Calvert as he proudly celebrates eighty-eight years of achievement, and in wishing him much peace and prosperity as he continues his journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Lewis Calvert, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Rodney R. Hubbard
District No. 58

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4568, adopted November 12, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker